MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL CALLED MEETING OF THE LUMPKIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSONERS

November 7, 2005

CALL TO ORDER

The special called meeting was called to order by Chairman Gooch at 8:30 a.m. Commissioners present were Stephen Gooch, John Raber, Deborah Hutcheson, Clarence Stowers, and Marvin Martin.

AGENDA

John Raber made a motion to approve the agenda. This motion was seconded by Marvin Martin and approved by all district commissioners present.

NEW BUSINESS

Dawsonville Annexation

The Board discussed the certified letter received from Mayor Joe Lane Cox of Dawsonville. Mayor Cox advised the Board that the City of Dawsonville intends to annex a tract of land in Lumpkin County. County Attorney Horne explained GA Code regarding annexations and suggested that the City Attorney and School Superintendent be informed of this proposed annexation. City of Dahlonega Mayor Gary McCullough who was in attendance at the meeting said the city is passing a resolution objecting to the annexation.

Deborah Hutcheson made a motion to object to the annexation by the City of Dawsonville and directed the County Attorney to draft a timely letter of objection and authorize Chairman Gooch to sign the letter. This motion was seconded by John Raber and approved by all district commissioners present.

OTHER ITEMS

GEFA Amendment

The Board discussed the amendment to the Georgia Environmental Facilities Authority agreement that was negotiated by the City of Dahlonega extending the time for the preparation of an intergovernmental agreement to March 1, 2006. The Board agreed that they were all in favor of the reservoir.

John Raber made a motion to sign the GEFA First Amendment to the Amended and Restated Loan Agreement extending the time for the preparation of an intergovernmental agreement to March 1, 2006. This motion was seconded by Clarence Stowers and approved by Commissioners Raber, Hutcheson, and Stowers. Commissioner Martin abstained.

Rules for Public Buildings

Commissioner Raber said he would like the board to establish rules for buildings owned by Lumpkin County. He also stated he would like Emily Lewy to serve on the committee to draft the rules for public buildings.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman Gooch asked for a motion to go into executive session to discuss the future acquisition of real estate and that Mayor McCullough, County Attorney Horne and staff member present could remain for the executive session.

John Raber made a motion at 9:45 a.m. to go into executive session. This motion was seconded by Deborah Hutcheson and approved by all district commissioners present.

Deborah Hutcheson made a motion to come out of executive session at 10:05 a.m. This motion was seconded by Clarence Stowers and approved by all district commissioners present.

Chairman Gooch announced that no actions had been taken.

COMMENTS

Chairman Gooch asked Director of Public Works Charles Trammell if he could address the possibility of a road for Mountain Brook Academy. Mr. Trammell said he had called the Department of Transportation and they said D.O.T. will help with a road but we may have to give up some of our allotment. Commissioner Stowers suggested that we work up the numbers. Discussion of the possibility followed.

John Raber stated that the board should not have allowed the treatment of Commissioner Martin at the Work Session. The board should have called it out of order.

Deborah Hutcheson feels that public comments should be at Work Sessions. Commissioner Hutcheson asked what it would cost to create a Special Tax District for River Shoals? Commissioner Hutcheson also asked the board to take a look at the cable TV contract.

ADJOURN

Chairman Gooch called for a motion to adjourn at 11:05 a.m. The motion to adjourn was made by Clarence Stowers and seconded by John Raber and approved by all district commissioners present.

11-17-2005 Date

Stephen W. Gooch, Chairman

Lumpkin County Board of Commissioners

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Clerk, Lumpkin County